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Applicant's election with traverse of Group II, claims 36-45, is acknowledged. However, Applicant's response filed September 29, 2005 is held non-responsive. Clarification is required regarding Applicant's response. Upon the granting of special status, Applicant waives their right to traverse restriction requirements. In this case, the application is in special status and Applicant has traversed the restriction requirement. According to the MPEP 708.02, traversal of the restriction requirement will result in loss of special status and the case will be acted on in turn. The Office requests clarification about their intent to waive their special status, or retain special status. If Applicant wishes to retain special status, an election without traverse is required.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE. Should Applicant require an extension of time, the special status of this application will be forfeited.

Stacy B. Chen October 7, 2005 571-272-0896

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